PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: ULTRASHORT PULSE LASER PROCESSING WITH CONTROLLED THERMAL

AND PHYSICAL ALTERATIONS TO ENHANCE PROCESSING RESULTS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of April 19, 2006 to August 19, 2006.

The statutory fee of \$120.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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